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- (a) extracting and time-stamping closed caption (CC) text or creating text versions of audio language content;
 - (b) digitizing the analog video;
 - (c) determining the position of topic changes in the video presentation by